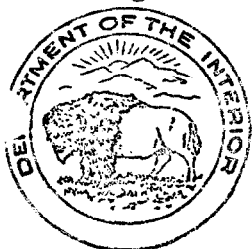


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FWS TO MAKE FILM ON MASSACHUSETTS SEAFOODS

The colorful commercial fishery fleets of Massachusetts will figure in a new educational movie which the Fish and Wildlife Service is planning to produce next summer, Secretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman said today.

The film, to be financed by the State of Massachusetts and the Massachusetts seafood industry, and produced and distributed under the direction of the Fish and Wildlife Service's Branch of Commercial Fisheries, will deal with major phases of commercial fishing in Massachusetts. Tentatively titled "Seafoods from Massachusetts," the 16 mm sound and color film is planned to run about 25 minutes.

The Gloucester fishing fleet landing ocean perch, the haddock and whiting operations of the trawler fleet from Boston Fish Pier, the scallop draggers of New Bedford and Provincetown, and the lobstermen and shellfish fishermen of the Massachusetts coast offer some of the many opportunities of portraying the operations of this picturesque fishery, Secretary Chapman declared.

A motion picture advisory group, with members representing the fishing industry of New Bedford, Boston, and Gloucester, and the Fish and Wildlife Service, has been established by Governor Dever's Fisheries Committee, to plan the film's production.

The Department of the Interior, through the Fish and Wildlife Service, will supervise the filming of the picture, and distribute prints of the movie through its distribution centers and through private film libraries. Prints of the seafood picture will be available early in 1952, and will be distributed free of charge for showing to schools, industrial and fraternal organizations, and club groups, as well as television audiences.

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